

\$350,000 PAID FOR AMERICANA

Henry E. Huntington Acquires Rare Collection of Early Writings

CENTURIES-OLD LAW VOLUMES IN LIST

Two Books Valued at \$15,000 Each—To Auction Duplicates

Henry E. Huntington has just acquired for an amount said to be \$350,000 the famous collection of Americana from Bertell Court, Burnham, England, which George D. Smith bought at auction. There are 250 items in the collection, which was the property of Sir R. Christie-Miller and which was bought by him in 1871, the first edition with the map of New England.

Another rare book is a volume entitled "For the Colony in Virginia," written by William Strachey, appears to be the earliest compilation of the settled laws of Virginia. Mr. Huntington's volume is a unique presentation copy from the author to his friend, "sometimes a Personal Confidant and Adventurer," Thomas Lawson.

Other curious works are Jourdan's "Discovery of the Bermudas," otherwise called the "Isle of Devils," the first account of the Bermudas, published in 1533, the only other copy being in the British Museum; a perfect set of De Bry's Voyages, in 102 volumes; "A Friendly Farewell to Sir Francis Drake," London, 1585, believed to be unique; "The New Found Land of Virginia," dated 1580, and Hubbard's "Narrative of the Troubles of the Indians in New England," Boston, 1677, the first edition with the map of New England.

Many of the items were already in Mr. Huntington's great library. He will choose for his own collection the items he desires to keep and will dispose of the duplicates at auction later. The auctioneers having made reservation in the catalogue for a disposition of the books.

Law Volume Worth \$15,000

The Sotheby catalogue of this collection described it as "the finest collection of Americana ever offered for sale by auction in England." Perhaps the most precious book in the collection is the volume of Massachusetts laws, printed at Cambridge in 1630, only two copies are known, and Sotheby's catalogue says that the one in the Huntington collection is the only one in the world.

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The engagement was announced yesterday in San Antonio of the engagement of Miss Ruth Lipscomb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willoughby W. Lipscomb, of San Antonio, Tex., to Raymond W. Alley, of New York, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rayford Alley, of Muskogee, Okla. Miss Lipscomb made her debut in San Antonio three years ago. Mr. Alley is a graduate of Washington and Lee University and of the Columbia Law School. He is now associated with the law firm of Satterlee, Canfield & Stone, 49 Wall Street. His clubs include the Lawyers' Squadron A, Columbia and the City.

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NATIONALISM SEEN IN OPERA

Italianized Egypt and Unsophisticated Russia—"Aida" and "Prince Igor"

By H. E. KRISHBIE

There were two performances at the Metropolitan Opera House yesterday, both of them designed to describe historical incidents, and therefore to illustrate national life. But the operas differed from each other greatly.

"Aida," given in the evening, the creation of a master lyrical dramatist in the prime of his powers, deals with an ancient Egyptian subject; but barring a few touches of conventional Oriental colors, in a temple chorus, and a ballet, its language is that of modern, sophisticated Italy. "Prince Igor," given in the afternoon, written by a Russian who was by vocation a physician and by avocation a musician, treats a story supposed to be more than a millennium later in time, with actors belonging to a people whose history is yet actively making. The former is a finished product of art, the latter is more that each time by practically a new audience. There was no thought of political opportunism in the production, for it had been planned for a year before and before there was thought of the minds of scheming diplomats and professional militarists of the war which is now devastating Europe.

The success of another Russian opera, "Koris Godunov," it was that the eyes of the management were turned to the management of the opera. But there was something like fatality in the coincidence. The spirit of nationalism was in the air when Turin and London reached for an expression of Russian art. The spirit of nationalism was in the air, though not consciously recognized. It is coming to complete recognition now, along with other forms of national expression. War is doing something else for music than throwing the support of a multitude of its practitioners upon the United States. It is the newest and wildest war that the world has ever seen; but by it nations are to be reshaped and ancient peoples restored to ancient birthrights. Racial traits of vast antiquity are to be brought out of darkness into light and a new spirit made to inform the new music as well as literature and the other arts. It is not chance that is at work here, but a great law, a great need and a great force. The world needs a new spirit